

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

(Caption of Case)

**Joint Petition of Rock Hill Telephone Company,  
d/b/a Comporium Communications, and Chester  
Telephone Company, d/b/a TruVista  
Communications, for Approval of Map Reflecting  
Clarification of Boundary Line, and for Approval to  
Grandfather Certain Customers**

**BEFORE THE  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

**COVER SHEET**

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Mr. Charles L. A. Terreni  
Chief Clerk/Administrator  
South Carolina Public Service Commission  
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101 Executive Center Drive  
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Joint Petition of Rock Hill Telephone Company, d/b/a Comporium Communications, and Chester Telephone Company, d/b/a TruVista Communications, for Approval of Map Reflecting Clarification of Boundary Line, and for Approval to Grandfather Certain Customers

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of the Rock Hill Telephone Company, d/b/a Comporium Communications, and Chester Telephone Company, d/b/a TruVista Communications, please find the original Joint Petition in the above-referenced docket.

Exhibit A of this filing is a large map which could not be formatted for electronic filing. We are delivering by hand today the original Joint Petition and map to the Commission with copies to the Office of Regulatory Staff.

Please clock in a copy of this Joint Petition and return it with our courier.

Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,



Margaret M. Fox

MMF/rwm  
Enclosures

cc: Florence P. Belser, Esquire, ORS  
Dawn Hipp, ORS

BEFORE  
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SOUTH CAROLINA

Docket No. \_\_\_\_\_

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Comporium Communications, and Chester Telephone )  
Company, d/b/a TruVista Communications, for Approval )  
of Map Reflecting Clarification of Boundary Line, and for )  
Approval to Grandfather Certain Customers )  
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Rock Hill Telephone Company, d/b/a Comporium Communications ("Comporium") and Chester Telephone Company, d/b/a TruVista Communications ("TruVista") (collectively referred to herein as the "Companies") hereby petition the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission"), pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Regs. § 103-612.2.3, for approval of a clarification of the boundary line between Comporium and TruVista. In addition, Comporium and TruVista respectfully request that the Commission allow the companies to grandfather certain customers who may be affected by the boundary clarification to ensure that they may continue receiving service from their existing provider if they so choose. In support of this Joint Petition, Comporium and TruVista respectfully submit:

1. Comporium and TruVista are incumbent local exchange companies providing wire line telephone services in Chester and York Counties in the State of South Carolina, and each is subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission with respect to such services.

2. Any questions, notices, orders, correspondence or communications to the Parties concerning this Petition should be directed to the undersigned counsel.

3. There has been recent construction in areas heretofore not served by either Comporium or TruVista, which has led the Companies to examine and attempt to determine the exact location of the service boundary between the Companies. Maps and other documentation currently on file with the Commission do not indicate the exact location of the service boundary between the Companies with sufficient clarity to determine whether premises located in certain areas fall within one or the other of the Companies' service areas.

4. It is in the best interest of the Companies and in the public interest to clearly define the service boundary between Comporium and TruVista so as to avoid confusion and possible future disputes.

5. It is likewise in the best interest of the Companies and in the public interest to clearly define the service boundary between Comporium and TruVista so as to avoid the possible construction of lines, plant, or system by one Company that would unreasonably interfere with the service or system of the other Company, in violation of S.C. Code Ann. § 58-9-280.

6. The Companies have worked together diligently and in good faith to more clearly define the service boundary between Comporium and TruVista. Attached hereto as Exhibit A, and incorporated herein by reference, is a map entitled "Wireline Boundary Between Chester Telephone Company DBA TruVista and Rock Hill Telephone Company DBA Comporium Communications," signed by TruVista and Comporium company officials on August 27, 2007 (the "Map"). The Map accurately reflects and

represents the service boundary between Comporium and TruVista. By this Petition, the Map is being filed with the Commission, and a copy provided to ORS, pursuant to Commission Reg. 103-612.2.3.

7. It is the Companies' express intent that existing customers will not be affected by this clarification of the service boundary unless they so choose. Therefore, to the extent the premises of existing customers of either Company would fall within the service area of the other Company according to the service boundaries as depicted on the Map (the "Grandfathered Customers"), the Companies propose that those customers will be grandfathered in and will remain customers of the Company from whom they received service on the effective date of approval of this Petition by the Commission, unless and until the customer cancels or otherwise ceases to receive landline basic local exchange telephone service in the customer's name at the customer's present service location. Should such cessation of service occur, the Company previously providing the grandfathered service shall have no further obligation as a carrier of last resort, as defined in S.C. Code Ann. 58-9-10(10), with respect to that customer or those premises and, to the extent there is a carrier of last resort obligation imposed by law, it shall be borne by the carrier in whose service area the customer premises is located as reflected on the Map. The only exception to this proposed treatment is for two (2) customers, as specified in Exhibit B, and designated as "Group 3," who are currently served by TruVista but are located in Comporium's service area. Because of the extraordinary construction and expense that would be required to serve these customers from Comporium's facilities at this time, these customers will remain customers of TruVista for the time being. If it becomes feasible for Comporium to serve these customers in the future, Comporium will

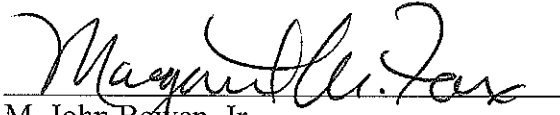
notify the Commission and ORS, and the customers will be provided with notice of the option to receive service from Comporium in a manner consistent with the notice that will be provided to customers in "Group 2," as described below and included in Exhibit C.

8. Attached hereto as Exhibit B is a list of Grandfathered Customers of each Company, along with the customers' addresses and wire line telephone numbers.

9. The Companies will provide notice to the Grandfathered Customers in "Group 1" and "Group 2" that the service boundary between Comporium and TruVista has been clarified, and that their wire line service will not be impacted unless they choose to obtain wire line service from the new carrier. Copies of the proposed notices are attached hereto as Exhibit C. Because there will be no service impact to the customers or premises in "Group 3" as a result of this petition, the Companies propose not to send a notice to these customers at this time.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons stated herein, Comporium and TruVista respectfully request that the Commission grant the relief requested herein, which is in the best interest of the public, and grant such other and further relief as is just and proper.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Margaret M. Fox", written over a horizontal line.

M. John Bowen, Jr.

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February 28, 2008

**EXHIBIT A**

**SERVICE BOUNDARY MAP**



## EXHIBIT B

### GRANDFATHERED CUSTOMERS

#### Group 1

Certain customers living in Chester County (see below) currently have Comporium telephone service although these customers are located in TruVista's wireline territory. These customers may keep their Comporium telephone service as long as they do not discontinue such service. Once a customer discontinues Comporium telephone service at the location designated below, it cannot be reinstalled.

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Phone #</u>
1.	Oneppo, Anthony L.	4490 Edgeland Road	328-1021
2.	Orr, Jr., A. H.	4508 Edgeland Road	327-5263
3.	Davis, F. M.	3724 Fescue Road	327-9325
4.	Douglas, Carolyn P.	3859 Cleveland Road	817-1776
5.	Patton, Heyward	3881 Cleveland Road	981-9075
6.	Moore, Robert C.	3918 Cleveland Road	328-2189
7.	Sterling, W. D.	2456 Twilight Road	327-3849
8.	Helms, Johnny L.	2648 Dunlap Roddey Road	329-7963
9.	Martin, Josh	4491 Davis Road	328-0758
10.	Martin, Josh	4491 Davis Road	328-6151

## EXHIBIT B (Cont'd)

### GRANDFATHERED CUSTOMERS

#### Group 2

Certain customers living in Chester County (see below) currently have TruVista telephone service although these customers are located in Comporium's wireline territory. These customers may keep their TruVista telephone service as long as they do not discontinue such service. Once a customer discontinues TruVista telephone service at the location designated below, it cannot be reinstalled.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Phone #</u>
1. Jimmy Ann Miller	230 E. Chappell Rd.	385-2708

#### Group 3

Certain customers living in Chester County (see below) currently have TruVista telephone service although these customers are located in Comporium's wireline territory. Because of the extraordinary construction and expense that would be required to serve these customers from Comporium's facilities at this time, these customers will remain customers of TruVista. Additionally, because there is no service impact to these customers or premises as a result of this petition, the companies believe that sending notice to these customers of a potential change in service would result in customer confusion. For this reason, the companies propose to not send a notice to these customers.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Phone #</u>
1. Barbara Lee Pittman	2736 Crystal Creek Rd.	789-6417
2. Grover Cleveland	3983 Cleveland Rd.	789-3395

## EXHIBIT C

### PROPOSED NOTICE LETTERS

#### To Group 1:

Dear \_\_\_\_\_:

I am writing to tell you about a change that may be of interest to you. You currently receive telephone service from Comporium Communications. As a result of a clarification of the boundary between the service areas of Comporium and TruVista, it has been determined that your home is actually located in TruVista's service area.

This clarification does not affect your telephone service in any way. You may continue to receive telephone service from Comporium for as long as you remain a customer at your current address, if you so choose. Alternatively, you may change your telephone service to TruVista at any time. However, please be aware that if your telephone service with Comporium is canceled or disconnected, or if you change your telephone service to TruVista or to any other carrier available to you, you may not be able to change your telephone service back to Comporium.

Thank you for your continued patronage. We at Comporium look forward to continuing to provide you with high-quality telephone service. If you have any questions about this matter, please call our customer service department at 1-800-XXX-XXXX.

**EXHIBIT C (Cont'd)**

**PROPOSED NOTICE LETTERS**

**To Group 2:**

Dear \_\_\_\_\_:

I am writing to tell you about a change that may be of interest to you. You currently receive telephone service from TruVista Communications. As a result of a clarification of the boundary between the service areas of Comporium and TruVista, it has been determined that your home is actually located in Comporium's service area.

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